

## MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 1788.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, May 24, 1788.

ORDERED, That the bill respecting insolvent debtors, which the year and days, be published in the Maryland Gazette, and Baltimore newspapers.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

A bill, entitled, An ACT respecting insolvent debtors.

HERRAS the confinement of the persons of debtors is inconsistent with the principles of humanity, and it is reasonable, where debtors will, *bona fide*, surrender all their property to the use of their creditors, that thereupon they should be discharged from their debts then contracted:

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That any debtor for any sum, above two hundred pounds current money, may apply by petition, in writing, to the chancellor, and offer to deliver up, to the use of his creditors, all his property, real, personal and mixed, and to which he is in any manner entitled, a schedule whereof (on oath or affirmation) together with a list of his creditors, as far as he can ascertain them, shall be exhibited with, and annexed to, such petition; and thereupon the chancellor may direct notice of such application to be published in the Annapolis and Baltimore newspapers for such time as he may think proper, not less than six weeks, and on their appearance, or neglect to appear on notice, at the time or times and place appointed, the chancellor, if no creditor shall appear and allege in writing fraud or deceit in such debtor, may administer the following oath (or affirmations) to the debtor making such application, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, or solemnly, sincerely, and truly declare and affirm, that I will deliver up, convey and transfer, to my creditors, in such manner as the chancellor shall direct, all my property that I have or claim any title to, or interest in, at this time, in the world, and all debts, rights and claims, which I have at this time, or that I am in any respect entitled to, in possession, remainder or reversion, and that I have not, at any time before (the day of taking the said oath or affirmation) directly or indirectly, in any manner or way, sold, disposed of, conveyed, leased, intrusted, or by any device concealed or lessened, my property of any kind, or the value thereof, or any part of my debts, rights or claims, thereby to defraud or deceive my creditors, or any of them, or to secure any part of my property, debts, rights or claims, with the intention or expectation of receiving, at any time, any profit, benefit or advantage, thereby." And if any creditor shall charge such debtor with fraud or deceit, the chancellor shall delay all further proceedings until such fraud or deceit be inquired into in the manner herein after directed.

And be it enacted, That the chancellor, upon administering the said oath or affirmation, shall proceed to appoint a trustee or trustees on behalf of the creditors, and shall direct such debtor to execute a deed (which shall be laid before the chancellor for his approbation, and shall be recorded in the chancery office before the discharge of the debtor) to such trustee or trustees, for all his property, debts, rights and claims, agreeably to the oath (or affirmation) of such debtor, in trust for all his creditors; and thereupon, and upon the execution of the said deed, and after the delivery of the property, books, bonds, and other evidences of debts, to such trustee or trustees, and his or their certificate of such delivery, the chancellor may order that such debtor shall for ever thereafter be acquitted and discharged from all debts by him owing or contracted at any time before the date of such deed; and in virtue of such order such debtor shall be for ever discharged from all debts due or contracted before the date of such deed; provided, That any property thereafter acquired by such debtor by descent, devise, bequest, or in course of distribution, shall be liable to the payment of his debts.

And be it enacted, That every trustee, before he acts as such, shall take the following oath (or affirmation) which any justice of the peace may administer, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear (or solemnly, sincerely, and truly declare and affirm) that I will faithfully, impartially and honestly, according to the best of my skill and knowledge, execute the several powers and trusts reposed in me as trustee for the creditors of C. D. without favour or affection, prejudice or malice." And every trustee, before he acts as such, shall give bond, with security, if necessary, in such sum as the chancellor shall direct, for the faithful and due performance of his trust; and in case of the refusal or delay of any trustee to act, or in case of his death, the chancellor may appoint another, who shall qualify and give bond as aforesaid.

And be it enacted, That the chancellor may allow any such debtor to retain the necessary wearing ap-

parel of himself and family, and if a mechanic or manufacturer, his tools, not exceeding in value the sum of ten pounds current money; and the trustee or trustees of such debtor shall make a reasonable allowance to such debtor and his family (if any) for his and their necessary support between the time of the petition and the discharge of such debtor.

And be it enacted, That the chancellor may direct the trustee or trustees appointed on behalf of such creditors, to sell and convey the property of such debtor, at such time and on such terms and conditions, as may be most advantageous to the creditors, and after satisfying all incumbrances by mortgages (in which case the mortgaged premises shall be sold and the mortgagee first satisfied) or by rents due not more than a year, if not due to be apportioned, and by other liens, and after paying all public taxes, prison fees, and expenses of the trust, the net produce to divide among all the creditors of the debtor, agreeably to their several and respective debts and claims, not allowing any interest on any debt after the execution of the deed by such debtor, unless a surplus after payment of the debts, in which case subsequent interest shall be allowed; but no judgment rendered after the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, shall be a lien on the lands of the debtor, so as to be preferred in such distribution, nor shall any process against goods or lands be preferred on such distribution, except writs of *fiat facias* actually and *bona fide* executed before the debtor's application for relief as aforesaid; and the chancellor may, from time to time, make such orders respecting the conduct of such trustee or trustees, and may remove any trustee for misbehaviour and appoint another in his place, as justice may require; and every creditor, upon a contingency, shall be entitled to a dividend made after the contingency happens.

And be it enacted, That any trustee or trustees may (if necessary) sue in his or their own name or names for the recovery of any property or debts belonging to such debtor, and conveyed, transferred or assigned, to such trustee or trustees, agreeably to this act.

And be it enacted, That any suits commenced by any debtor before his discharge, may be continued in his name, or the trustee may make himself the plaintiff, and carry on such suit in his own name, or that of the debtor, at his election, for the benefit of the creditors of such debtor; and if any debtor shall be taken in execution, or if *fiat facias* shall be executed on his property, after his application for relief, and such debtor shall obtain an order of acquittal from his debts, agreeably to this act, the court out of which such *capias* and *fiat facias* were issued, shall, on motion, quash the same.

And, to prevent collusion between debtors and their creditors, and expedite the adjustment and distribution of insolvent estates, Be it enacted, That the chancellor may, by order, limit and appoint the time for creditors to bring in and declare their claims, and may examine such creditor, and also the debtor, on oath or affirmation, touching the same, and on any contested claim may (if he thinks proper) order the same, or any fact concerning the same, to be tried on an issue framed for that purpose; and the chancellor may, in his discretion, perceiving the debtor is not likely to be entitled to a surplus, order that he be allowed and received as a witness on the trial of any such issue as aforesaid; and the chancellor may order any of the produce of the insolvent's estate to be set apart and retained for the eventual satisfaction of any contested claim, or to be brought again into distribution; and if any creditor, to whom a real debt is due and owing, shall collude and contrive with the debtor to gain an undue preference in the satisfaction of his debt, or for concealment of any part of the debtor's estate or effects, or shall contrive or concert any acknowledgment of the debtor, by parole or in writing, or any kind of security to give false colour to his claim for more than is *bona fide* due, such creditor shall lose his debt truly due, and shall be totally excluded in the distribution.

And be it enacted, That if any creditor, on the application of any such debtor to the chancellor as aforesaid, or at any time within two years thereafter, shall allege in writing that such debtor hath, at any time before the day appointed for such debtor to meet to take the oath or affirmation aforesaid, directly or indirectly, in any manner or way, sold, disposed of, conveyed, leased, intrusted, or by any device concealed or lessened, his property of any kind, or the value thereof, or any part of his debts, rights or claims, thereby to defraud or deceive his creditors, or any of them, or to secure the same, or any part thereof, with the intention or expectation of receiving at any time any profit, benefit or advantage, thereby,

or that such debtor, at the time of obtaining particular credit, had a knowledge of his circumstanced, and of his inability to pay his debts contracted before such credit, or that he obtained particular credit by any trick, misrepresentation, deceit or fraud, the chancellor shall thereupon lay all proceedings, and may examine such debtor on interrogatories, on oath or affirmation, for the discovery of his property, or any concealment thereof, and his conduct in any manner touching the same, or the manner of procuring particular credit; or the chancellor may, in his discretion, appoint any number of persons, not less than three, to examine such debtor, and any evidences (not being creditors) on interrogatories, on oath or affirmation, for the discovery of such debtor's property, or any concealment thereof, or his conduct in any manner touching the same, or manner of procuring particular credit; or he may direct an issue, in a summary way, to be tried in the general court, or the county court where such debtor resides, to determine the truth of any allegation made by such creditor; and if such debtor shall be found guilty of any wilful fraud, collusion, or deceit, of his creditors, he shall for ever be precluded from having any benefit of this act; and any property by him conveyed in trust for his creditors, shall remain and belong to them, and he shall be liable to them for any balance; and if any debtor who shall take the oath or affirmation by this act directed shall, upon indictment, be convicted of wilfully, falsely and corruptly, swearing or affirming to any matter or thing in such oath or affirmation contained, such person shall suffer as in case of wilful and corrupt perjury, and likewise be liable to his creditors, and shall have no relief by, or benefit of, this act, and if any debtor shall be found guilty of fraud or deceit (if present) the chancellor, or the court or commissioners before whom the trial is had, shall immediately require him to give security for his appearance at the next general or county court, and in case of neglect, may commit him for trial for perjury, and every person appointed a commissioner to examine into the fraud, deceit or misconduct, of any debtor, shall, before he proceeds to trial, make oath, that he will well and truly examine the allegations made against such debtor, and truly determine the same according to the evidence without fear, favour, affection, partiality or prejudice, and the debtor or creditor may appeal to the chancellor or county court, as the case may be, and the chancellor may direct a new trial, if justice shall require.

And, whereas it is reasonable that securities, who *bona fide* became such before the twenty-fifth day of May, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, for any insolvent debtor, should be preferred before other creditors of such debtor, Be it enacted, That the trustee or trustees of such debtor shall prefer such security, after satisfying all incumbrances or liens, either by paying the money due to such security, or his creditor, or by obtaining his discharge to such security, and the trustee or trustees shall prefer such security as the debtor shall direct, before or at the time of his application for relief, and the trustee or trustees are hereby directed to satisfy or indemnify such security before he is obliged to pay the money for which he is security.

And be it enacted, That if any debtor, whose property shall have been assigned according to this act, shall have satisfied all claims brought in and allowed against him, the chancellor may order his estate and effects not sold, to be restored to him, and he shall thereupon be seized and possessed thereof as of his former estate.

And be it enacted, That if on final settlement of all debts and claims against such debtor there should be any surplus, the chancellor shall direct the same to be paid by the trustee or trustees to such debtor, his executor or administrator.

And be it enacted, That the chancellor may allow the trustee or trustees appointed by him, in virtue of this act, such salary or commission, not exceeding seven and an half per cent. for his or their trouble, as the chancellor shall think just and reasonable.

And be it enacted, That if any debtor shall be imprisoned, and in actual custody, he may apply to the chancellor in the manner before directed, and the chancellor may thereupon direct notice to his creditors, and may order the sheriff, or other officer in whose custody such debtor may be, to bring him before the chancellor, and may administer to such debtor the oath or affirmation aforesaid, and similar proceedings may be had as herein before directed.

And, whereas many people, greatly indebted, have wasted, mispent and misconducted, their property, so that their creditors have lost their debts, or great part thereof, notwithstanding such debt might have been

wholly, or in great part satisfied by an honest and timely application of such property, and some of those debtors have laid in prison under commitment for want of bail or in execution, till they have spent and wasted their property, with the expectation of being afterwards relieved from imprisonment by the general or a special insolvent act. To prevent as far as may be the like injustice to creditors, *Be it enacted*, That if any creditor or creditors, for any sum or sums to the amount in the whole of upwards of two hundred pounds current money, shall apply to the chancellor in writing, stating his or their claim, and that such debtor refused, neglected or declined, to give such creditor or creditors sufficient security for the payment of such debts, verifying such application and the debt actually due, by affidavit thereto annexed, and verifying also by the affidavit of one or more credible witnesses, not being creditors, annexed to the said application, that such witness or witnesses is or are well acquainted in general with the circumstances and affairs of the debtor, and with his conduct and management, and that he or they believe that such debtor is wasting, mispending or misconducting his property, and thereby impairing and lessening the security of his creditors for their debts, whereby the said creditors, or some of them, may probably lose their debts, or part thereof, the chancellor may thereupon direct such debtor to appear before him, and to answer on oath or affirmation, as to the justice of the debt or claim against him, and in case of his appearance (or if after notice he shall not appear) the chancellor may inquire into the truth of the premises, by the examination of witnesses, not being creditors, or he may, in his discretion, direct an issue in a summary way, to be tried in the general court, or the county court where such debtor resides, to determine the justice of the creditor's claim, and of the allegation of the debtor's conduct as aforesaid, and if satisfied of the justice of the debt or claim, and of the misconduct of the debtor as aforesaid, he may direct such debtor to give, within such time as he shall appoint, real or personal security, as he may think proper, to such creditor or creditors, at such time as he may think reasonable, and if refused, delayed, or neglected by such debtor, the chancellor may declare such debtor to be insolvent; and if any defendant indebted to the amount in the whole of more than two hundred pounds current money, shall be committed, and remain committed for the full space of thirty days, either for want of special bail or in execution, and shall for that time actually remain in gaol, the creditor at whose suit he was so committed having laid before the chancellor an authenticated copy or certificate of such commitment, with an affidavit of the sheriff, gaoler or other credible person, that the defendant hath laid in gaol as aforesaid, under commitment, and still continues a prisoner by virtue thereof, the chancellor may declare such prisoner insolvent, and on the chancellor's declaring any prisoner or other debtor as aforesaid, insolvent, he may thereupon order him to deliver up all his property and debts, on oath or affirmation, and to convey and transfer the same to a trustee or trustees, for the benefit of all his creditors, and may compel obedience to his orders, and similar proceedings shall be had in every respect as herein before provided on the application of the debtor; and any prisoner or other debtor declared insolvent as aforesaid, complying with the chancellor's orders as aforesaid, shall in all things be considered and discharged, and have the benefit of this act, and be subject to all the consequences of fraud, deceit or false swearing, as if he had applied for relief under this act; but if any prisoner or other debtor declared insolvent as aforesaid, will not comply with the chancellor's orders as aforesaid, the chancellor may pass his order, that all the property that such debtor hath or may claim any title to, or interest in, and all debts, rights and claims, which he is in any respect entitled to in possession, remainder or reversion, be, and are thereby assigned to such person or persons as he by such orders shall appoint trustee or trustees, and such order shall be in itself an assignment, as effectual for the purpose of conveying and transferring such debtor's estate, property, debts, rights and claims, legal and equitable, as any assignment actually executed by him under the chancellor's order; and the chancellor, on such debtor submitting afterwards to examination on oath, and thereon making full and satisfactory discovery of his estate, property, debts, rights and claims, may, in his discretion, discharge him, as if he had at first complied according to this act.

*And be it enacted*, That any debtor of any sum of or under two hundred pounds current money, may apply to the county court of the county where he may live, or where he may be imprisoned, and such court shall have the same power and jurisdiction, and may proceed in every respect in the same manner on the application of such debtor, as the chancellor is herein before authorized to act and determine in the case of persons indebted above two hundred pounds current money; and such county courts are hereby directed to conform themselves to the directions of this act, and to adopt rules and orders substantially similar to those the chancellor may make in cases by him decided, except as to notice to creditors, which shall be given, in case the debtor is in custody, by advertisement set up at the court-house and prison doors, ten days previous to the meeting of the court in court, or by adjournment; and in case the debtor shall not be in custody, then shall notice of such application be given as aforesaid, and also published in the Annapolis and Baltimore newspapers, six

weeks previous to each meeting of the court, and if such debtor, not in custody, resides on the eastern shore, he shall also cause such notice as aforesaid to be given in the public paper printed in Chester-town, if any.

*And be it enacted*, That if the state shall be the creditor of any such debtor, the chancellor or the county court to whom such debtor shall apply, is hereby required to direct notice of the application of such debtor to be given to the attorney-general, and to the treasurer of the western shore; and the treasurer shall thereupon transmit the claim of the state against such debtor to the chancellor, or such county court, and also to the attorney-general, who will take care of the interest of the state, and that the right of the state and preference in payment, in such cases where a preference is given by law, be obtained, and that such sum as the state may be entitled to be paid to the treasurer of the western shore.

*And be it enacted*, That all applications to the chancellor under this act, and all proceedings thereupon, shall be entered by the register of the chancery court in a book to be kept for that purpose only, and he shall be entitled to the same reward for his trouble, as he is, or shall be allowed by law for entering any other matter on record.

*And*, whereas partners may have separate but not joint property sufficient to satisfy the partnership debts, and in other cases partners may have joint but not separate property to discharge their separate debts, *Be it enacted*, That partnership property shall be applied in the first place to satisfy partnership debts, and the surplus (if any) shall be applied to the payment of the separate debts, and separate property shall be first applied to the payment of separate creditors, and the surplus (if any) shall be applied to the satisfaction of joint creditors; and, if any one partner shall apply, he shall make a distinct schedule of his partnership and separate property, claims and demands.

*And*, as far as possible to prevent fraud, collusion, deceit, or injury to creditors, *Be it enacted*, That every gift, sale, assignment or transfer, and every judgment, writing, deed or conveyance, absolute or conditional, of any property, debts, rights or claims, by any debtor to defraud or deceive creditors, or in trust for such debtor, or any other person (except only for all his creditors) or to lessen or diminish his property, or the value thereof, shall be void in law and equity; and such debtor, purchaser, trustee or person to whom such gift, assignment or transfer, may be made, or judgment given, shall answer to interrogatories, on oath or affirmation, on trial, as to the consideration actually paid, or whether in trust, and every such gift, sale, assignment or transfer, and every such judgment, writing, deed, assignment or conveyance, shall be valid in law and equity against such debtor, although not against his creditors.

*And be it enacted*, That every gift, voluntary conveyance or bill of sale, made to wife, child, or any other person after debt contracted, and every absolute conveyance, if the party making the same shall continue in possession, shall be void in law and equity against creditors, and no consideration shall be good against creditors except money or property, or natural love and affection (the deed being executed before debt contracted); and every conveyance or bill of sale since the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, by a debtor, shall be presumed *prima facie* fraudulent by him as to his creditors.

*And be it enacted*, That every trustee heretofore appointed under the act of April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, or hereafter to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall, under the direction of the chancellor and county courts respectively, return in to the court by which he was or shall be appointed, under his hand, a just and accurate account of the sale or sales, if any, of the property of the debtor, to whom made, at what price, and, on what terms the same was made, and also under the direction of the chancellor and county courts respectively render to the said courts a full and particular account of his receipts and disbursements.

*And be it enacted*, That this act shall commence on the twenty-fifth day of May, seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, and continue in force until the end of the next session of assembly, and that on the commencement of this act, the act, entitled, "An act respecting insolvent debtors," passed at April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, shall be repealed, and all proceedings commenced under the said act shall be finished agreeably to the directions and provisions in this act.

The bill respecting insolvent debtors was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Chase, appeared as follow:

**AFFIRMATIVE.** Messieurs. Read, Parnham, F. Bowie, Quinn, Brown, J. S. Parnell, W. Parnell, Scott, Wheeler, Chase, McMeekin, Taylor, 12.

**NEGATIVE.** Messieurs. Abell, Forrest, R. Miller, Nichols, N. Worthington, B. Worthington, Carroll, Taney, Fitzhugh, M'Pherson, Chapman, Gough, Cockey, Ridgely, Roberts, Sherwood, Tilghman, Stewart, Polk, Shaw, Lecompte, Bravard, Bond, Matthews, S. Miller, Crauford, Digges, Duvall, Seney, Henry, Faw, Potts, Lockerman, Walker, Hughes, Bruce, Burgois, Oneale, Holmes, 39.

So it was determined in the negative.

## L O N D O N, March 27.

**B**Y the last accounts from Danzig it appears, that great discontents prevail in that city; the decline of trade, and the difficulty of finding the usual channel of subsistence to which numbers are reduced, have thrown the inhabitants into a general fermentation. One faction is inclined to give up the city totally to that power, which, from the present situation of affairs, is mistress of its fate; the other, and that most respectable in point of power and riches, wishes to remain under the sovereignty of Poland. The views of the former are supported by the actual situation of Russia, which appears to be as present the most dangerous with the Duke to support the independence of Danzig.

By the last mail from France intelligence was received, the authenticity, as well as the probability, of which, however, is doubted, that the French court has received an overland express from India with the important advice, that in the beginning of December last, on the arrival of the accounts sent from England of the likelihood of a rupture with France, the governor of Madras took sudden possession of Pondicherry.

In order to encourage his officers to do their duty in the present war against the Turks, and to recompense them to the distress to which their wives and families must be exposed from the common fate of soldiers, the emperor has issued a proclamation, that the council of war attending the army, indicating that the widows and children of officers killed in the service, or dying of their wounds, shall receive pensions proportioned to the rank of their fathers (or the children), and of their husbands (for the widows) and this to hold good, notwithstanding any arrangement previously made upon their marriage with respect to receiving pensions on the death of their husbands, or any other security whatsoever gives them.

Letters from Holland by yesterday's mail state, that great disturbances and excesses still continue to prevail in that province relative to the amnesty; and that their noble great mightinesses had been obliged to publish a fresh placar, expressive of their indignation, at the ingratitude of the inhabitants of the cities and flat countries.

### Extract of a letter from Brussels, March 2.

"The Brabantines have at length submitted. The chancellor had been among the foremost to agree to the commands of the sovereign. The conditions are, however, neither disgraceful nor unfavourable to the people. All the recruits as they are raised in the Low Provinces are brought here, trained and disciplined; so that the city begins to look very warlike. All the levies will not, however, be sent into Germany; some of them will be incorporated among the corps now stationed in Flanders."

## B A L T I M O R E, May 21.

*Extract from the literary correspondence of the King of Prussia, with M. D'ALEMBERT, Secretary to the royal academy of sciences at Paris.—From the French.*

"The lovers of the fine arts and sciences," says this august prince, "are less numerous than in former ages. If these arts be ever lost, as I foresee will one day be the case, to what can we attribute this, but to the little estimation in which they are now held?—For my part, I shall be fond of them to my latest moments. With the muses only, I find those consolations that enable me to support the burden of life; and I assure you that, had I been master of my own destiny, I would have attached myself to study with greater ardour than to the splendour of sovereignty, the command of armies, or to the furious dissipations of the age."

We are informed that the variation of the magnetic needle, by late observations at Paris, is 21 degrees west.

## A N N A P O L I S, May 29.

On Tuesday last, the general assembly of this town adjourned, the house of delegates to the first Monday in October, and the senate to the first Monday in November next, after having passed the following laws, viz.

1. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Watson, of Saint Mary's county.
2. An act for the benefit of Henrietta Adams, of Charles county.
3. An act to revive and make valid the proceedings of the vestry of Saint Luke's Parish, in Queen Anne's county.
4. An act to record a deed from John Hall to Henry Stauffer, and one other deed from Henry Stauffer to James Campbell, of Baltimore county.
5. An act to revive and make valid the proceedings of Worcester parish, in Worcester county.
6. An act to vest the free-school property, in Dorchester county, in the trustees of the poor of said county.
7. An act for the benefit of John Frederick Anslung.
8. An act for the relief of David Jones and Elizabeth his wife.
9. An act to repeal part of an act, entitled, in act for removing original papers in the law prerogative office to the several counties in this state.
10. An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, and to revive another act, entitled, An act for the relief of insolvent debtors.
11. An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals.

12. A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act to alter the time of holding Baltimore county court for civil causes.
13. A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Cecil county.
14. An act to alter the place for holding elections for delegates to the general assembly in Baltimore county.
15. An act for the collection of the tax due in Anne Arundel county for the year 1788.
16. An additional supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act for building a new church in the city of Annapolis.
17. A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the regulation of the markets in Baltimore town.
18. An act to continue the act of assembly there is mentioned.
19. An act for the payment of the journal of accounts.

By the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS assembled, May 8th, 1788.

On a report of the board of treasury, to whom was referred a motion of Mr. Carrington.

**RESOLVED**, That Congress proceed to the election of two commissioners for settling the accounts of the five great departments, to continue in office one year.

*Ordered*, That the commissioners of accounts for the quarter-master's, commissioners, hospital, marine and clothing departments, with the approbation of the board of treasury, commence suits in behalf of the United States, against all persons in any of the said departments who stand chargeable with public monies, and whose accounts shall not be lodged with the proper commissioners within four months, computed from the present date, and that this order be published in the several states for the period above mentioned.

*Resolved*, That the said commissioners be directed to continue their unremitting attention to the final adjustment of all accounts which have arisen in the said departments, and to the recovery of all sums for which suits may be commenced; and that at the termination of their commission they deposit with the register of the treasury all the books and papers of their respective offices, together with a general abstract of the sums due from individuals, in order that immediate measures may be adopted for the recovery of the same.

Congress proceeded to the election, and the ballots being taken.

M. Jonathan Burrall was elected a commissioner for settling the accounts of the quarter-master's and commissaries department, and

Mr. Benjamin Walker was elected commissioner for settling the accounts of the hospital, marine, and clothing departments.

CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

May 27, 1788.

**WHEREAS** the court of appeals did, at their last sitting, confirm the judgment of the general court, declaring that the purchasers of confiscated British property, subsequent to the consolidating act, have a right to pay the interest due on said purchasers in certificates; this is to give notice to all such purchasers, that the interest due, and for which actions were brought to compel payment, with the cost of suit, is to be paid within six weeks from the date hereof, or immediately thereafter the actions will be proceeded on to compel the payment thereof: and whereas several years interest have become due on said purchasers, and for which no actions have been brought, this is also to inform said purchasers, that all the annual interest due, and that may become due by the 1st September next, must be paid on or before that day, or process will be ordered immediately thereafter.

T. HARWOOD, Tr. W. S.

May 24, 1788.

**ON** the petition of Gilbert Hamilton Smith, of Anne Arundel county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 8th day of July next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Tell. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD, Reg. Cur. Can.

May 24, 1788.

**To be Sold by Public Vendue,**

**ON** the 24th day of June next, by the subscriber, trustee, appointed by the honorable chancellor of the state of Maryland, to dispose of the estate, real and personal, of capt. Edward Spurrier, 223 acres of land, lying in Anne Arundel county, the fork of Patuxent, where Thomas Spangston, sen. did live; also a negro man and boy, a horse, a few cattle and hogs, some household furniture, and upwards of one thousand dollars of real and personal certificates.

JOSEPH HOWARD, Trustee.

**THE** subscriber being appointed trustee by the worshipful the justices of Anne Arundel county court, for the creditors of Jacob Duval, in order to enable me to execute the said trust, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the said Jacob Duval, that their accounts are now in possession of the subscriber, to whom they are requested to make immediate payment.

To be sold on the 18th day of June, 1788, on the plantation now occupied by the said Jacob Duval, all his stock, household furniture, &c.

The creditors of said Duval are requested to meet at said place on the day of sale.

JOSEPH BREWER, Trustee.

N. B. A likely young negro fellow to be sold also for cash, or bond with approved security.

May 23, 1788.

**ON** the petition of Richard Talbot, of Anne Arundel county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the eleventh day of July next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD, Reg. Cur. Can.

May 23, 1788.

**ON** the petition of Richard Wilson, of Queen Anne's county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 11th day of July next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Tell. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD, Reg. Cur. Can.

Prince George's county, May 19th, 1788.

**NOTICE** is hereby given to the creditors of the subscriber, that being unable to pay his just debts, he intends to petition the justices of Prince George's county, at their next sitting court after this advertisement shall have been inserted six weeks in the newspaper, for the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, "An Act respecting insolvent debtors."

THOMAS HODGKIN, jun.

May 13, 1788.

**NOTICE** is hereby given, that the subscriber, being unable to discharge his debts, means to apply to the justices of Anne Arundel county court, at their next June term, for the benefit of the act respecting insolvent debtors.

SEBASTIAN OLEY.

May 21, 1788.

**A** MEETING of the trustees of Charlotte Hall school is desired at the Cool Springs, on the tenth July next.

By order, J. CARTWRIGHT, Register.

Anne Arundel county, Head of South river, May 21, 1788.

**TEN POUNDS REWARD.**  
**R**AN away, the 14th day of April last, a negro man named PETER, the property of Dr. James Steuart, and legally hired to the subscriber for one year. Peter is five feet six or seven inches high, about forty-five years of age, and grey headed; had on when he went away, a grey farnought jacket, red half-thick breeches, of nabriga shirt, yarn stockings, old shoes and an old felt hat; he is remarkably fond of a banjo, which he often carries with him when on visits, has been used to waiting and jobbing, professes ditching and sawing at the whip-saw. He is well acquainted in the following neighbourhoods, viz. Turkey island, on Patuxent river, Doden, on South-river, West-river, the Swamp, at and about Mr. Stephen Steward's shipyard, Annapolis and Baltimore-town. He is an artful fellow, and may endeavour to pass for a free man, and change his cloaths and name. I therefore forewarn all persons at their peril, from employing, harbouring or concealing the said negro.—Whoever takes up and secures the said negro, so that I may get him again, shall receive four pounds, if taken thirty miles from home six pounds, if out of the State, the above reward, including what the law allows, paid by

RICHARD HIGGINS.

**T**AKEN up as a stray by HENRY PAIN, living in Montgomery county, near Monocacy chapel, a black MARE, about thirteen hands high, has a small star and a snip, branded on the near shoulder I. F. appears to be young. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

**NOTICE** is hereby given, that application will be made to the general assembly, at their next session, to pass a law to consolidate the Free school lands and funds of Dorchester county, with the funds appropriated to the use of the poor of said county.

**TWENTY DOLLARS Reward.**

**R**AN away from the subscriber, living in Saint Mary's county, and State of Maryland, a negro man named MACE, about twenty five years of age, of a dark complexion, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high; his cloaths uncertain, as he had many, and very likely may shift them. The above negro formerly belonged to my brother Robert Abell, who lately removed to Kentucky, and whom he ran away on account of his unwillingness to go out with him, although I purchased him some time before, he thinking it was a sham sale, in order to keep him until my brother left off, and then that he was to be confined and carried out with him. The above reward will be paid to any one securing the said negro in any goal so that I may get him again, and if brought home the above reward and all reasonable travelling charges, including what the law allows.

SAMUEL ABELL, Younger.

May 8, 1788.

**C**AME to the plantation of Edward Rhodes, in Caroline county, and State of Maryland, about four miles below Melville's warehouse, a stray, about the middle of December last, a stout well made black gelding, about fourteen and a half hands high, with a large blackish face, his left hind foot white, is pretty much crafty, supposed to be 4 or 5 years old this spring. The owner is desired to come, prove his property, pay charges, and take him away.

**T**AKEN up as a stray by JOHN SNOWDEN, living at the Patuxent iron-works, a dark bay HORSE, marked on the near shoulder or buttock with the letter I, and has white spots under his two fore fetlocks, with a few white hairs on his forehead, appears to be nine or ten years old, and near fourteen hands high, trot and gallops. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

**T**AKEN up as a stray by NATHAN COOKS, a bay MARE, about 3 years old, a large star in her forehead, her left hind foot white to the fetlock, no perceivable brand, nor dock, and appears to be unbroke, about thirteen and half hands high. The owner may have her again by proving property and paying charges.

**T**HE subscribers being very anxious that an immediate payment of what is due them be made, that they may be enabled to comply with their engagements, in order to facilitate the collection, have appointed Mr. John Watkins, to call upon all those who have accounts with them for the same, whose receipt shall be good; they beg that this notice be particularly attended to, as it is not in their power to give any further indulgence; those who incline to cash and pay at Annapolis, will always find a person at their late store on the Dock, or at the treasury office, ready to receive.

THO. and BEN. HARWOOD.

Mount Vernon, March 6, 1788.

**ROYAL GIFT,**  
and the  
**KNIGHT of MALTA,**

Two valuable imported jack-asses.

**W**ILL cover mares and jennies at Mount Vernon the ensuing spring, for (on account of the scarcity of cash) three guineas the season, and two shillings and six pence to the groom, for his care of, and attention to, the females.

The first is of the most valuable race in the kingdom of Spain—the other is of the best breed in the Island of Malta.

**ROYAL GIFT** (now 6 years old) has increased in size since he covered last season, and not a jenny, and hardly a mare to which he went, missed.

The **KNIGHT of MALTA** will be four years old this spring, about fourteen hands high, most beautifully formed for an ass, and extremely light, active and sprightly; comparatively speaking resembling a fine courser.

These two jacks seem as if designed for different purposes, but equally valuable; the first, by his weight and great strength, to get mules for slow and heavy draught; the other, by his activity and sprightliness, for quicker movements. The value of mules on account of their longevity, strength, hardiness and cheap keeping, is too well known to need description.

**MAGNOLIO,**

**S**TANDS at the same place for two guineas the season, and two shillings and six pence to the groom. The money, in both cases, to be paid before the jennies or mares are taken away, as no accounts will be kept.

Good pasture, well enclosed, will be provided at half a dollar per week, for the convenience of those who incline to leave their mares or jennies, and every reasonable care will be taken of them, but they will not be insured against thefts, escapes, or accidents.

JOHN FAIRFAX, Overseer.

Newport, Charles county, January 23, 1788.

To be RENTED, or LEASED.

**T**HE store houses belonging to the subscriber, situated as above, and within a small distance of a capital tobacco warehouse; this stand is adapted either for a dry or wet store, or both; the houses are under rent until the first day of April next, but I believe immediate possession may be easily obtained. For terms, &c. apply to

JOHN PARNHAM.

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THEODORE DENT, administrator,  
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# SUPPLEMENT to the MARYLAND GAZETTE.

T H U R S D A Y, May 29, 1788.

May 12, 1788.

ON the petition of Charles Cathro, of Montgomery county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 25th day of June next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
3 Reg. Cur. Can.

May 13, 1788.

ON the petition of John Morgan, of Queen Anne's county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 27th day of June next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
3 Reg. Cur. Can.

May 7, 1788.

ON the petition of James Magruder, of Montgomery county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 23d day of June next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered, that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
3 Reg. Cur. Can.

May 9, 1788.

ON the petition of Thomas Grahame, of Calvert county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 24th day of June next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
3 Reg. Cur. Can.

May 8, 1788.

ON the petition of William Rainin, of Kent county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 23d day of June next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette, and personally served on the attorney-general and treasurer of the western shore.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
3 Reg. Cur. Can.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be presented to the general assembly, at their next session, praying that an act may pass to confirm the title of four tracts of land, called Nutt's Cliffs, Chaplin, East Chaplin, and Meares, devised by Mr. Young Parran, late of Calvert county, deceased, by his last will and testament, to his son John Parran, since deceased, to the heir at law of the said John Parran.

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May 10, 1788.

ON the petition of William Thompson, of Charles county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the 27th day of June next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
3 Reg. Cur. Can.

April 21, 1788.

ON the petition of Daniel Robinson, of Cecil county, both in his private capacity and as late joint partner with William Pollard, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, entitled, An act respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the ninth day of June next is appointed for a meeting of said creditors, at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the directions of said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
6X Reg. Cur. Can.

Port-Tobacco, November 2, 1787.

**TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.**  
RAN away a few weeks ago, a negro man named BOB, about six feet high, a dark mulatto, by trade a blacksmith, and is also a rough carpenter; his cloaths are unknown, as he took with him a variety; when he speaks it is in a loud voice and very earnest; he has a scar in the palm of his right hand. He had in his possession a written permission, signed by Walter Pye, his former master, to hire himself wherever he chose, and with this and a forged pass it is likely he will endeavour to make his escape; he was seen at Annapolis during the last races, and went towards Baltimore. Whoever will secure the said negro Bob, so that we get him again, shall receive the above reward, on application to major John Swan of Baltimore, Robert Couden, Esq; of Annapolis, or the subscribers.  
J. H. STONE, and CO.

N. B. All masters of vessels are warned not to take him on board their vessels.

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May 12, 1788.

THE subscriber being appointed, by the honourable the chancellor, a trustee for James Artis, an insolvent debtor, requests all persons indebted to the estate of the said James Artis to make immediate payment, that he may have it in his power to complete the settlement of said trust; all those who have claims against the said Artis are requested to bring them in legally attested, otherwise they cannot be entitled to a dividend. A meeting of the creditors of James Artis is requested at the plantation of the subscriber, in Montgomery county, on Big Seneca, on the 12th of June next, at which time the property of said Artis will be exposed to public sale.

3 WALTER FRYER, trustee.

May 6, 1788.

On Thursday the 5th day of June, at 12 o'clock, at William Beckwith's dwelling house, by virtue of a writ of *fi. facias* to me, the sheriff of Montgomery county, directed, will be sold,

ONE tract of land, being part of Magruder's Hazard, containing 100 acres, late the property of the said William Beckwith, taken at the suit of Samuel Thomas, 3d. assignee of Benjamin and Francis Lowndes.

3X WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

April 18, 1788.

NOTICE is hereby given to the subscriber's creditors, that being unable to pay his debts, he means to petition the justices of Cecil county court, at their next term, for the benefit of the act of insolvency.

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May 9, 1788.

Pursuant to a decree of the high court of chancery of the state of Virginia, obtained for the sale of the estate of John Sempie, deceased, for the payment of his debts, will be sold upon the premises, on Monday, the 8th of September next,

ONE tract of land, in Prince-William county, containing about twenty-two acres, on which is erected a forge, grist and saw-mill, commonly known by the name of the Occoquan Works.—This seat is equal to any in the state for water-works, as it stands on navigable water and is supplied by a large and constant stream.

Also will be sold at the above works, on the same day, one other tract of land, situate on Occoquan river in said county, called Peyton's Land.—Also another tract of land, situate on said river, near the above lands, and in the county of Prince-William, containing 2500 acres; and at the same time and place will be sold, sundry negroes and utensils, appertaining to the said works.

Also will be sold, at the above place and on the same day, a tract of land, laying in Fairfax county, situate on the river Occoquan, and near the above works, containing 3500 acres.

And on Friday, the 12th of September next, will be sold on the premises, one tract of land, situate on the Great-Falls of Patowmack, in Loudon county, containing 608 acres, with liberty of cutting wood on about 12000 acres adjoining thereto, belonging to Bryan Fairfax, Esq; also two other tracts of land, near to the Great Falls and in the county of Loudon, one containing 500 acres, and the other 394 acres, will be sold at the same time and place.

Also will be sold at Leesburg, on Monday the 15th of September next, being the first day of Loudon court, one tract of land, called Read's Land, situate in Loudon county, containing 200 acres.—Also all the land and ore banks, purchased by John Sempie of Thomas and Samuel Aubry, situate on Patowmack river and on Catoston mountain; and also the right to a small part within the said Aubry's land, purchased by said Sempie from lord Tankerville.

And on Friday the 19th of September next, will be sold at Keeptriste furnace, one tract of land, situate in Berkeley county, on the head of the Shenandoah Falls, called Friend's Ore-Bank, containing about 100 acres.—Also one other tract of land, on the river Patowmack, near the above, containing about 1600 acres, whereon is erected a furnace called Keeptriste.—Likewise a tract of land on the same river, lying in Berkeley county, containing about 400 acres.—The above lands will be sold in tracts, or divided to suit the purchaser better where they are large.

The purchaser or purchasers of the Occoquan works, and the lands contiguous thereto, and the slaves, will be allowed credit, upon giving bond on interest, with approved security, to pay one fourth of the purchase money in one year, one other fourth in two years, another fourth in three years, and the remaining fourth part in four years.—The purchasers of the other lands will have one year's credit for one half of the purchase money, and two years for the other half, on giving bond on interest with approved security.—We agree to advertise and make sale of the above lands and property, at the times and places mentioned, as commissioners appointed by the high court of chancery.

JOHN LAWSON,  
GEORGE GILPIN,  
LEVEN POWELL.

N. B. Should any of the days appointed for the sale of the above lands prove wet, the sale will commence on the next fair day.

May 21, 1788.

BY THE GENERAL COURT.

THOMAS B. HODGKIN, Esquire, clerk of the general court for the western shore of the state of Maryland, having communicated to the court his intention to resign his office, and requested that some person should be appointed in his stead, notice is hereby given, that the court will not appoint any person to the said office before Monday the 2d day of June next, and in the mean time will receive applications for the same.

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May 1, 1788.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber, being unable to discharge his debts, intends to petition the justices of Montgomery county court, after six weeks notice; for the benefit of the said respecting insolvent debtors.

FIELDER PARKER.

Baltimore-town, May 10, 1788.

## NOTICE.

THE honourable the chancellor of Maryland having granted an injunction on the application of the subscriber, and other executors of William Neill, deceased, against Thomas M<sup>r</sup>Intire and Isabella his wife, executrix of said William Neill, enjoining, directing and prohibiting, the said Thomas M<sup>r</sup>Intire and Isabella his wife, and each of them, from collecting, receiving or demanding, any sum or sums of money due to the estate of the said William Neill, from any person or persons whatsoever; these are to give notice to all and every person and persons indebted to the estate of William Neill, deceased, not to pay or in any manner settle or adjust the respective claims against them with the said Thomas M<sup>r</sup>Intire and Isabella his wife, or either of them, as such payments of settlements will be made in their own wrong, and they will be obliged to account with the subscriber again for the same, the said Thomas M<sup>r</sup>Intire and Isabella his wife having at this time no authority to interfere or meddle with the personal estate of the testator.

HERCULES COURTENAY, acting executor  
of WILLIAM NEILL.

## ROEBUCK.

THE beautiful thorough bred horse ROEBUCK, ten years old next spring, the property of the subscriber, will cover the ensuing season at the subscriber's plantation in Charles county, at five pounds current money a mare, but if paid by the first day of August next, three pounds, and a dollar to the groom, will be received in lieu of five pounds. It is useless to insert his pedigree, as it is so well known, but it may be seen at his stable. Good pasturage is provided for mares that come a distance, gratis, and great care will be taken of them, but will not be answerable for accidents or escapes.

March 1, 1788.

WILLIAM M. WILKINSON.

Virginia, Westmoreland county, April 12, 1788.

RAN away from the subscriber, on the 12th day of April, a negro man named JOE, aged about twenty-four years, five feet nine or ten inches high, of a yellow complexion, and is a good ditcher; had on and took with him when he eloped a negro cotton jacket with sleeves, a short London brown cloth coat with white buttons, an old brown holland ditto, a pair of green breeches, and a pair of Virginia cloth ditto filled in with black yarn. Whoever apprehends the aforesaid negro shall have a reward of one guinea, and for bringing him home, at the rate of six pence per mile.

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WILLIAM EDWARDS.

## ROMULUS,

STANDS this season at Mr. David Steuart's upper Plantation, upon Anne-Arundel manor, and will cover at 3 pounds cash, and 5 shillings to the groom.

Romulus is a bright bay, full fifteen hands three inches high, handsome and active, he was got by Sweeper, his dam by Hamilton's Ranger, his grand-dam by Ariel, out of an Othello mare.

JOHN KNEAVES, Overseer.

N. B. Wheat, oats, Indian corn, or tobacco will be received at the market price, instead of the cash, provided it is delivered at the above place by the first of August next.

## NOTICE.

THE subscriber intends petitioning the next general assembly on a matter very interesting to him; such as are desirous to know the purport may be informed by personal application.

THOMAS RUTLAND.

April 30, 1788.

Poplar-hill, April 3, 1788.

NOTICE is hereby given, that application will be made by the subscriber, at the next Prince-George's county June court, for a commission under the act, entitled, An act for marking and bounding lands, to prove and mark the bounds and lines of a tract of land called The Addition, in the said county.

ROBERT DARNALL.

May 16, 1788.  
ALL persons indebted to the estate of Philip Carley, late of Montgomery county, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment, and all those having claims against it are requested to bring them in legally proved to the subscribers, by the first day of September next.

2 LAURENCE O'NEALE, } administrators.  
ALICE CARSEY, }

Baltimore, March 31, 1788.  
NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends to apply to the next August court, for Frederick county, for a commission to ascertain the lines and boundaries of two tracts of land, called White Level and Fell's Dale, in said county, agreeable to an act of assembly.

2 JOSHUA GIST.

May 21, 1788.  
NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends to expose to public sale, pursuant to a bill of sale made to him by a certain John Mackall, of Calvert county, at the plantation of the said Mackall, lying on Fishing Creek, in Anne-Arundel county, on Monday, the tenth of June next, fourteen valuable negroes, men and women. They will be sold only for ready cash or tobacco.

2 WILLIAM ALLIEN, sheriff  
of Calvert county.

May 21, 1788.  
THE honourable the chancellor of Maryland having appointed the subscribers trustees for the creditors of William Logan, of the city of Annapolis; in order to enable us to execute the said trust, notice is hereby given, that all persons indebted to the said William Logan make immediate payment, and those who have any demands are requested to produce the same, that a just and proper dividend may be made, and the business closed as soon as possible.

To be sold, on Tuesday the 10th of June next, at two o'clock, P. M. on the premises, a lot of ground in the city of Annapolis, known and distinguished on the plot of said city by No. 31, with the following improvements thereon.

A wharf 130 feet front, with 12 feet water, and 350 feet deep, a brick house two stories high, with a kitchen and cellar under the whole, and a framed black smith's shop. Also a lot on Cornhill-street with a framed house thereon, and all the household furniture of the said William Logan, consisting of feather beds, tables, chairs and kitchen furniture.

2 ALLEN QUINN, } trustees.  
DAVID GEDDES, }

PICKLED HERRINGS,  
Of the First Quality,  
To be Sold, by  
2 JOHN RANDALL.

JOHN FISHER,  
From LANCASTER,

Has for Sale, at Jacob Husk's, in this City,

A QUANTITY of good butter, linseed oil, mould and dipt candles, and a quantity of cords of all kinds, such as bed cords, leading lines, fishing do. chalk do. bricklayers do.

Annapolis, May 23, 1788. 2

May 5, 1788.  
Four Dollars Reward.



expenses, paid by

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber, on Thursday night last, a grey HORSE, he has two white hind feet, and a small star in his forehead. Whoever takes up said horse, and delivers him to the subscriber, shall have the above reward, and all reasonable

2 ADAM MILLER.

Annapolis, May 17, 1788.  
AS there is a vacancy for establishing a vendue store in this city, where sellers and buyers may readily suit each other, where in addition to the speedy market at vendues always obtained for the sale of valuable goods, a variety of lumber, remnants of stores, and household furniture of little or no use to the holders or owners, generally meet with a rapid sale and store the owners pockets with considerable sums of money; which lumber, remnants and furniture, for want of such an institution, commonly moulder into dust.

Where gentlemen and others may readily accommodate themselves with new furniture, at a less price than what their old furniture will sometimes sell for.

The subscriber, patronised by eminent characters in this city, and encouraged by sundry of his friends in the country, humbly offers his services to the public in that capacity; he flatters himself that his thorough knowledge of, and diligent application to, the duties of that office, will merit for him the esteem of those who wish to employ him.

Sales will be held every Saturday, when every exertion will be used to give ample satisfaction, by the public's most obedient and most humble servant,

EDMUND HOGAN.

N. B. He lives between the printing-office and Stadt-house.

May 9, 1788.  
FINDING it altogether out of my power to discharge the several claims now against me; I therefore inform all my creditors that I shall offer a petition to the next sitting court of Charles county for the benefit of the act respecting insolvent debtors.

3 WILLIAM HOWARD.

Annapolis, March 18, 1788.  
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May 9, 1788.  
Pursuant to a decree of the high court of chancery of the state of Virginia, obtained for the sale of the estate of John Semple, deceased, for the payment of his debts, will be sold upon the premises, on Monday, the 8th of September next,

**O**NE tract of land, in Prince-William county, containing about twenty-two acres, on which is erected a forge, grist and saw-mill, commonly known by the name of the Occoquan Works.—This seat is equal to any in the state for water-works, as it stands on navigable water and is supplied by a large and constant stream.

Also will be sold at the above works, on the same day, one other tract of land, situate on Occoquan river in said county, called Peyton's Land.—Also another tract of land, situate on said river, near the above lands, and in the county of Prince-William, containing 300 acres; and at the same time and place will be sold, sundry negroes and utensils, appertaining to the said works.

Also will be sold, at the above place and on the same day, a tract of land, laying in Fairfax county, situate on the river Occoquan, and near the above works, containing 3500 acres.

And on Friday, the 12th of September next, will be sold on the premises, one tract of land, situate on the Great-Falls of Patowmack, in Loudon county, containing 608 acres, with liberty of cutting wood on about 12000 acres adjoining thereto, belonging to Bryan Fairfax, Esq; also two other tracts of land, near to the Great-Falls and in the county of Loudon, one containing 500 acres, and the other 394 acres, will be sold at the same time and place.

Also will be sold at Leesburg, on Monday the 15th of September next, being the first day of Loudon court, one tract of land, called Read's Land, situate in Loudon county, containing 200 acres.—Also all the land and ore banks, purchased by John Semple of Thomas and Samuel Aubry, situate on Patowmack river and on Catocton mountain; and also the right to a small part within the said Aubry's land, purchased by said Semple from lord Tankerville.

And on Friday the 19th of September next, will be sold at Keeptrite furnace, one tract of land, situate in Berkeley county, on the head of the Shenandoah Falls, called Friend's Ore-Bank, containing about 100 acres.—Also one other tract of land, on the river Patowmack, near the above, containing about 1600 acres, whereon is erected a furnace called Keeptrite.—Likewise a tract of land on the same river, lying in Berkeley county, containing about 400 acres.—The above lands will be sold in tracts, or divided to suit the purchaser better where they are large.

The purchaser or purchasers of the Occoquan works, and the lands contiguous thereto, and the slaves, will be allowed credit, upon giving bond on interest, with approved security, to pay one fourth of the purchase money in one year, one other fourth in two years, another fourth in three years, and the remaining fourth part in four years.—The purchasers of the other lands will have one year's credit for one half of the purchase money, and two years for the other half, on giving bond on interest with approved security.—We agree to advertise and make sale of the above lands and property, at the times and places mentioned, as commissioners appointed by the high court of chancery.

JOHN LAWSON,  
GEORGE GILPIN,  
LEVEN POWELL.

N. B. Should any of the days appointed for the sale of the above lands prove wet, the sale will commence on the next fair day.

May 21, 1788.  
BY THE GENERAL COURT.

**T**HOMAS B. HODGKIN, Esquire, clerk of the general court for the western shore of the state of Maryland, having communicated to the court his intention to resign his office, and requested that some person should be appointed in his stead, notice is hereby given, that the court will not appoint any person to the said office before Monday the 2d day of June next, and in the mean time will receive applications for the same.

May 1, 1788.  
**N**OTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber, being unable to discharge his debts, intends to petition the justices of Montgomery county court, after six weeks notice, for the benefit of the act respecting insolvent debtors.

FIELDER PARKER.

Baltimore town, May 10, 1788.

## NOTICE.

**T**HE honourable the chancellor of Maryland having granted an injunction on the application of the subscriber, and other executors of William Neill, deceased, against Thomas M'Intire and Isabella his wife, executrix of said William Neill, enjoining, directing and prohibiting, the said Thomas M'Intire and Isabella his wife, and each of them, from collecting, receiving or demanding, any sum or sums of money due to the estate of the said William Neill, from any person or persons whatsoever; these are to give notice to all and every person and persons indebted to the estate of William Neill, deceased, not to pay or in any manner settle or adjust the respective claims against them with the said Thomas M'Intire and Isabella his wife, or either of them, as such payments or settlements will be made in their own wrong, and they will be obliged to account with the subscriber again for the same, the said Thomas M'Intire and Isabella his wife having at this time no authority to interfere or meddle with the personal estate of the testator.

HERCULES COURTENAY, acting executor  
of WILLIAM NEILL.

## ROEBUCK.

**T**HE beautiful thorough bred horse ROEBUCK, ten years old next spring, the property of the subscriber, will cover the ensuing season at the subscriber's plantation in Charles county, at five pounds current money a mare, but if paid by the first day of August next, three pounds, and a dollar to the groom, will be received in lieu of five pounds. It is useless to insert his pedigree, as it is so well known, but it may be seen at his stable. Good pasturage is provided for mares that come a distance, gratis, and great care will be taken of them, but will not be answerable for accidents or escapes.

WILLIAM M. WILKINSON.

March 1, 1788.

Virginia, Westmoreland county, April 12, 1788.

**R**AN away from the subscriber, on the 12th day of April, a negro man named JOE, aged about twenty-four years, five feet nine or ten inches high, of a yellow complexion, and is a good ditcher; had on and took with him when he eloped a negro cotton jacket with sleeves, a short London brown cloth coat with white buttons, an old brown holland ditto, a pair of green breeches, and a pair of Virginia cloth ditto filled in with black yarn. Whoever apprehends the aforesaid negro shall have a reward of one guinea, and for bringing him home, at the rate of six pence per mile.

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WILLIAM EDWARDS.

## ROMULUS,

**S**TANDS this season at Mr. David Steuart's upper Plantation, upon Anne-Arundel manor, and will cover at 3 pounds cash, and 5 shillings to the groom.

Romulus is a bright bay, full fifteen hands three inches high, handsome and active, he was got by Sweeper, his dam by Hamilton's Ranger, his grand-dam by Ariel, out of an Othello mare.

JOHN KNEAVES, Overseer.

N. B. Wheat, oats, Indian corn, or tobacco will be received at the market price, instead of the cash, provided it is delivered at the above place by the first of August next.

## NOTICE.

**T**HE subscriber intends petitioning the next general assembly on a matter very interesting to him, such as are desirous to know the purport may be informed by personal application.

THOMAS RUTLAND.

April 30, 1788.

Poplar-hill, April 3, 1788.

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that application will be made by the subscriber, at the next Prince-George's county June court, for a commission under the act, entitled, An act for marking and bounding lands, to prove and mark the bounds and lines of a tract of land called The Addition, in the said county.

ROBERT DARNALL.

May 16, 1788.  
**A**LL persons indebted to the estate of Philip Carley, late of Montgomery county, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment, and all those having claims against it are requested to bring them in legally proved to the subscribers, by the first day of September next.

2 LAURENCE O'NEALE, } administrators.  
 ALICE CARSEY, }

Baltimore, March 31, 1788.  
**N**OTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends to apply to the next August court, for Frederick county, for a commission to ascertain the lines and boundaries of two tracts of land, called White Level and Fell's Dale, in said county, agreeable to an act of assembly.

2 YOSHUA GIST.

May 11, 1788.  
**N**OTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends to expose to public sale, pursuant to a bill of sale made to him by a certain John Mackall, of Calvert county, at the plantation of the said Mackall, lying on Fishing Creek, in Anne-Arundel county, on Monday, the tenth of June next, fourteen valuable negroes, men and women. They will be sold only for ready cash or tobacco.

2 WILLIAM ALLIEN, Sheriff  
 of Calvert county.

May 11, 1788.  
**T**HE honourable the chancellor of Maryland having appointed the subscribers trustees for the creditors of William Logan, of the city of Annapolis; in order to enable us to execute the said trust, notice is hereby given, that all persons indebted to the said William Logan make immediate payment, and those who have any demands are requested to produce the same, that a just and proper dividend may be made, and the business closed as soon as possible.

To be sold, on Tuesday the 10th of June next, at two o'clock, P. M. on the premises, a lot of ground in the city of Annapolis, known and distinguished on the plot of said city by No. 31, with the following improvements thereon.

A wharf 130 feet front, with 25 feet water, and 350 feet deep, a brick house two stories high, with a kitchen and cellar under the whole, and a framed black smith's shop. Also a lot on Cornhill-street with a framed house thereon, and all the household furniture of the said William Logan, consisting of feather beds, tables, chairs and kitchen furniture.

2 ALLEN RYNN, } trustees.  
 DAVID GEDDES, }

**PICKLED HERRINGS,**  
 Of the First Quality,  
 To be Sold, by  
 2 JOHN RANDALL.

**JOHN FISHER,**  
 From LANCASTER,

Has for Sale, at Jacob Husk's, in this City,

**A** QUANTITY of good butter, linseed oil, mould and dipt candles, and a quantity of cords of all kinds, such as bed cords, leading lines, fishing do. chalk do. bricklayers do.

Annapolis, May 13, 1788. 2

May 3, 1788.  
**Four Dollars Reward.**



**STRAYED or STOLEN** from the subscriber, on Thursday night last, a grey HORSE, he has two white hind feet, and a small star in his forehead. Whoever takes up said horse, and delivers him to the subscriber, shall have the above reward, and all reasonable expenses paid by

2 ADAM MILLER.

Annapolis, May 17, 1788.  
**A**S there is a vacancy for establishing a vendue store in this city, where sellers and buyers may readily suit each other, where in addition to the speedy market at vendues always obtained for the sale of valuable goods, a variety of lumber, remnants of stores, and household furniture of little or no use to the holders or owners, generally meet with a rapid sale and store the owners pockets with considerable sums of money; which lumber, remnants and furniture, for want of such an institution, commonly moulder into dust.

Where gentlemen and others may readily accommodate themselves with new furniture, at a less price than what their old furniture will sometimes sell for.

The subscriber, patronised by eminent characters in this city, and encouraged by sundry of his friends in the country, humbly offers his services to the public in that capacity; he flatters himself that his thorough knowledge of, and diligent application to, the duties of that office, will merit for him the esteem of those who wish to employ him.

Sales will be held every Saturday, when every exertion will be used to give ample satisfaction, by the public's most obedient and most humble servant,

EDMUND HOGAN.

N. B. He lives between the printing-office and stable-house.

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